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(Information as of noon EST, 8 February 1968)

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<p>The week-long Communist offensive against key population centers has tapered off although enemy troops are still putting up stiff resistance in several cities. Despite severe losses, the Communists have sufficient strength to mount further actions throughout the country. Meanwhile, the Saigon government now appears to be performing with reasonable efficiency despite some procrastination and internal bickering.</p>	
③ COMMUNISTS IMPROVE ROADS IN LAOS PANHANDLE	6
<p>The Communists are responding to heavy US air attacks on truck traffic in the Laos panhandle with a construction program that is adding flexibility to the system and maintaining a margin of surplus capacity.</p>	
④ KOREAN CONFRONTATION CONTINUES UNRESOLVED	6 X
<p>The talks between North Korean and US representatives at Panmunjom appear to have made no progress toward resolving the <u>Pueblo</u> incident.</p>	
⑤ PEKING MAKES LITTLE PROGRESS TOWARD STABILIZING PROVINCES	8 X
<p>The Chinese central authorities, taking slow and uncertain steps, are making little progress toward stabilizing and institutionalizing leadership in the provinces.</p>	
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- ⑦ MILITARY SETBACKS CREATE TENSION IN LAO ARMY LEADERSHIP
Following recent military setbacks, new signs of tension have been noted within the army leadership.

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Europe

- ⑧ THE WEEK IN PERSPECTIVE

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- ⑨ USSR EXPANDS PREMILITARY TRAINING PROGRAM
DOSAAF--the Voluntary Society for Cooperation with the Army, Air Force, and Navy--is expanding its role in the premilitary training and political indoctrination of Soviet youth.

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- ⑩ CZECH AIRCRAFT SALES FLOURISHING
Prague's most successful item is the L-29 Maya military jet trainer, which has been accepted as the standard basic jet trainer in the Warsaw Pact countries and has also been purchased by at least four Free World countries.

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- ⑬ PRAGUE'S FOREIGN POLICY MAY BECOME MORE LIBERAL
Several developments during the past few weeks, including a major speech by new party First Secretary Dubcek, suggest that Prague may be more interested in improving relations with the West than official statements would imply.

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- ⑭ NEW GOVERNMENT TAKES OVER IN DENMARK
Denmark's first non-Socialist prime minister in nearly 15 years has called for belt-tightening on the home front but no change in foreign policy.

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Middle East - Africa

- ⑮ THE WEEK IN PERSPECTIVE

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- ⑯ DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TWO YEMENS
The Peoples' Republic of Southern Yemen is adopting more radical domestic and foreign policies, while in Yemen the military stalemate continues.

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- ⑰ SOVIET PREMIER KOSYGIN'S VISIT TO INDIA
Talks were mainly on bilateral economic relations but also covered current international problems.

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- ⑱ CABINET CHANGES IN CEYLON UNLIKELY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS
Prime Minister Dudley Senanayake has made several cabinet changes in an apparent attempt to strengthen his government, but the adjustments are unlikely to ease the government's pressing economic and political problems.

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Western Hemisphere

- ⑲ THE WEEK IN PERSPECTIVE

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- ⑳ ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT SEEKS LABOR SUPPORT
The government recently restored the legal status of two key Peronist unions, and Ongania himself has appealed to important labor leaders for active support and collaboration in social welfare and public works programs.

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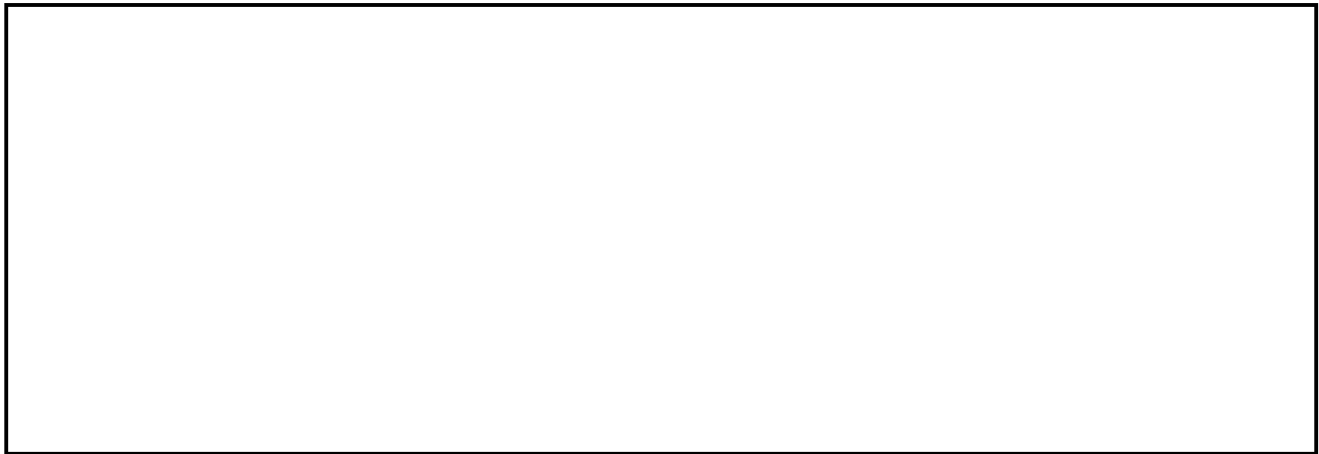
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(23) ELECTIONEERING IN PANAMA HEATING UP

Charges and countercharges by government candidate Samudio and National Union candidate Arias are becoming more vicious, both sides are organizing strong-arm bands, and the government may be planning moves to strengthen Samudio's candidacy.

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(24) MEXICO'S RULING PARTY GEARS FOR HEAVY POLITICKING

In anticipation of gubernatorial elections this year and the presidential succession in 1970, changes are likely in the ruling party leadership which will probably reflect an emphasis on youth and affect the choice of a presidential candidate for 1970.

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